

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 1999-201-E - ORDER NO. 1999-360
MAY 19, 1999

IN RE: The Limited, Inc.,)	ORDER ✓ WR
)	OVERRULING
Complainant/Petitioner,)	JACOBS
)	OBJECTION
vs.)	
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The Richard E. Jacobs Group, Inc.,)	
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Respondent/Defendant.)	
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for consideration of an objection filed by The Richard E. Jacobs Group, Inc. (Jacobs) to the intervention in this complaint matter of Carolina Power & Light, Duke Power, and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (collectively known as the power companies). Jacobs asserts, among other things, that this matter is a private complaint matter between it and The Limited, Inc., and that the power companies do not have enough of an interest in the case to become intervenors.

However, the power companies note in their Petitions to Intervene that this Commission held in abeyance any ruling on submetering in the electric area until this Complaint matter was heard, and that this complaint hearing, according to us, could shed

some light on how we might want to rule on submetering in the electric area. Therefore, the power companies reason, since they were parties to the submetering docket, they have an interest in this complaint matter, since it may ultimately affect the way this Commission rules on electric submetering issues.

After due consideration, we agree with the power companies. Indeed, we held in Order No. 1999-307 in the submetering Docket, Docket No. 98-624-E/W/S, that a further development of the facts in the Limited-Jacobs complaint matter will aid us in developing a policy for the submetering of electricity and its progeny. Accordingly, the power companies recognized this principle, and very logically petitioned to intervene in this complaint matter to protect their interests in the submetering Docket.


Therefore, pursuant to this reasoning, the objection of Jacobs to the intervention of the three power companies in this complaint matter is overruled.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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